



February 13, 2020

To: Co-Chairs Senator Girod & Representative Holvey, and committee members

From: Brett Henry  
Lane County Parks  
3050 N Delta Hwy  
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Subject: HB 5202 and the McKenzie River Discovery Center (MRDC)

Lane county is enthused about the MRDC, so much so that we plan to grant a long-term, \$1 per year lease of our 46 acres at the Old Leaburg fish hatchery. The site is the ideal location for the Discovery Center, and we see it as not only an educational venue to help youth and adults learn about and appreciate the uniqueness of this ecosystem; but also, its presence will increase the economic viability of the McKenzie Highway corridor by drawing people to experience the resources of the river. I recommend that you support the McKenzie River Discovery Center and I appreciate your consideration and thank you for considering this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "Brett Henry".

Brett Henry  
Lane County Parks Manager